

Remarks

Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b)

The Examiner has rejected claims 1-11 as anticipated under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) by published Japanese patent application listing Masaaki et al as inventors, hereinafter referred to as Masaaki. The Applicant respectfully requests careful consideration of the following explanations regarding the rejections of claims 1-11 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b).

Rejection of Claims 1-3 Under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) in View of Masaaki

Claim 1 includes the limitations of "an output device for extracting said content in digital form from said system ***to an external device using a wireless interconnection***". (emphasis added) On pages 2-3 of the office action, the Examiner asserts that subject matter upon which the limitations of claim 1 recited above read are disclosed in drawing 1, page 8 through 9, paragraph [0022] of Masaaki. Specifically, the Examiner states on pages 2-3 of the office action that "Drawing 1 shows transmission of digital signal from controller 25 to an external device such as computer 50. There is no cable connection between the projector and the external device. An arrow indicates the transmission of data between controller 25 and the external device." The Applicant respectfully disagrees with this conclusion regarding the meaning of what Masaaki discloses. The Applicant respectfully contends that Masaaki does not disclose subject matter upon which the limitations of claim 1 recited above read.

From the arrow shown in drawing 1 as going from "control section 25" to "computer 50" it does not logically follow, as the Examiner concludes, that "[t]here is no cable connection between the projector and the external device". Moreover, the Applicant's representative could not locate disclosure within an English translation of Masaaki generated through the Japanese patent office website indicating that "[t]here is no cable connection between the projector and the external device". Paragraph 0022 of the English translation of Masaaki generated through the Japanese patent office website does not seem to disclose

subject matter relevant to the question of whether there is a cable connection between the projector and the external device. If the Examiner is aware of such disclosure within Masaaki, the Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner specifically identify the location of this disclosure within the English translation of Masaaki that can be generated through the Japanese patent office website.

Furthermore, the Applicant respectfully contends that what is disclosed in the English translation of Masaaki generated through the Japanese patent office website suggests a wire link of some sort between "control section 25" and "computer 50". The last sentence of paragraph 0018 of the English translation of Masaaki generated through the Japanese patent office website discloses:

A control section 25 changes into a video signal the picture signal inputted from the Rhine scanner 47, for example, ***outputs it to external instruments, such as a computer 50***, and a monitor, a video player, a video printer. (emphasis added)

The first sentence of paragraph 0019 of the English translation of Masaaki generated through the Japanese patent office website discloses:

The image of the transparency manuscript 16 is ***expressed*** to monitor 50a as a computer 50 based on the inputted video signal. (emphasis added)

The last sentence of paragraph 0026 of the English translation of Masaaki generated through the Japanese patent office website discloses:

In recording the image of the transparency manuscript 16 with projection of the transparency manuscript 16, ***as shown in drawing 1, it connects a computer 50 to a control section 25***. (emphasis added)

The first sentence of paragraph 0031 of the English translation of Masaaki generated through the Japanese patent office website discloses:

In a control section 25, a picture signal is changed into a video

signal and it inputs into the **connected** computer 50. (emphasis added)

A definition provided for "connect" in Webster's Ninth New Collegiate Dictionary is "to become joined". A definition provided for "connected" in Webster's Ninth New Collegiate Dictionary is "joined or linked together". Therefore, the plain meaning of the sections of the English translation of Masaaki generated through the Japanese patent office website cited above suggests a wire link between "control section 25" and "computer 50".

As the Examiner is well aware, MPEP 2131 requires that "[a] claim is anticipated only if each and every element as set forth in the claim is found, either expressly or inherently described, in a single prior art reference." Because Masaaki does not disclose all the limitations of claim 1, the Applicants contend that a valid prima facie anticipation rejection of claim 1 is not present for at least this reason. Accordingly, the Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the rejection of claim 1 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b).

Because each of claims 2-3 is dependent upon claim 1, they incorporate all of the limitations of claim 1. Therefore a valid prima facie anticipation rejection of claims 2-3 with respect to Masaaki is not present for at least this reason. Accordingly, the Applicant respectfully requests withdrawal of the rejections of claims 2-3 as anticipated under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) by Masaaki.

Rejection of Claims 4-8 Under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) in View of Masaaki

Claim 4 includes the limitations of "within said housing, connected to said scanner, one or more output means for transmitting a copy of said content in digital form to an external device, including a **wireless interconnection**". (emphasis added) As explained in detail with respect to claim 1, the Applicant respectfully contends that Masaaki does not disclose subject matter upon which the limitations of claim 4 recited above read. Because Masaaki does not disclose all the limitations of claim 4, the Applicants contend that a valid prima facie anticipation rejection of claim 4

is not present for at least this reason. Accordingly, the Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the rejection of claim 4 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b).

Because each of claims 5-8 is dependent upon claim 4, they incorporate all of the limitations of claim 4. Therefore a valid prima facie anticipation rejection of claims 5-8 with respect to Masaaki is not present for at least this reason. Accordingly, the Applicant respectfully requests withdrawal of the rejections of claims 5-8 as anticipated under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) by Masaaki.

Rejection of Claims 9-11 Under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) in View of Masaaki

Claim 9 includes the limitations of "generating an output signal representative of the content in digital form for transmission *to an external device using a wireless interconnection*". (emphasis added) As explained in detail with respect to claim 1, the Applicant respectfully contends that Masaaki does not disclose subject matter upon which the limitations of claim 9 recited above read. Because Masaaki does not disclose all the limitations of claim 9, the Applicants contend that a valid prima facie anticipation rejection of claim 9 is not present for at least this reason. Accordingly, the Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the rejection of claim 9 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b).

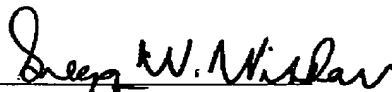
Because each of claims 10-11 is dependent upon claim 9, they incorporate all of the limitations of claim 9. Therefore a valid prima facie anticipation rejection of claims 10-11 with respect to Masaaki is not present for at least this reason. Accordingly, the Applicant respectfully requests withdrawal of the rejections of claims 10-11 as anticipated under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) by Masaaki.

Conclusion

The Applicants respectfully contend that claims 1-11 are in a condition for allowance. Such allowance is respectfully requested.

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